Class Five—Christ Exalted, Gog Destroyed

Heb 11:1 "Now faith is the SUBSTANCE of things hoped for, the EVIDENCE of things not seen"

"Faith is *reality and proof*. The person who has it, embraces certain things promised as realities, and certain transactions as things proved. Hence, faith is *the assured* hope of things promised, the *conviction of the truth* of transactions not witnessed by the believer"

—Eureka Vol 1, pg. 284

The reality of faith can be proved by the prophetic Word.

What often happens is that while we can perceive a "general" prophetic parable, when the details become too heavy, we sometimes retreat to a more fundamental lesson. Nothing short earnest prayer and crying after knowledge will "open our eyes."

Est 7:3 Then Esther the queen answered and said, If I have found favour in thy sight, O king, and if it please the king, let my life be given me at my petition, and my people at my request:

Est 7:4 For we are sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be slain, and to perish. But if we had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held my tongue, although the enemy could not countervail the king's damage. (10,000 talents silver)

Sold—figuratively: sin and death. Requiring purchase/redemption.

Rom 7:14 "For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin."

Also represents Israel's punishment among the nations.
 "(God) sold them into the hands of their enemies round about" Jud 2:14 (Jud 3:8; 4:2; 1Sam 12:9; Isa 50:1)

Bondmen and Bondwomen—servitude to the King is the best we will ever be; and to this, the bride had no objection (Romans 6)!

I and my people—no longer "hidden," Esther now opening identifies with the Jews. If there is no survival of the literal Jew, there can be no salvation of the inward or "Hidden Jew."

Rom 11:18-23 "Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee...For if God spared not the natural branches, *take heed* lest he also spare not thee...And they also, if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be graffed in: for God is able to graff them in again"

• The Abrahamic Covenant begins with "I will make of thee a great nation" (natural Jews) and concludes with "and In thee shall all families of the earth be blessed" (engrafted Jews)—Gen 12:2-3. First Ishmael, then Isaac. The Gentiles are dependent upon Israel, not the converse (1Cor 15:46)

Rom 2:9-10 "Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile; But glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile"

Est 7:5 Then the king Ahasuerus answered and said unto Esther the queen, Who is he, and where is he, that durst presume in his heart to do so?

Est 7:6 And Esther said, The adversary and enemy is this wicked Haman. Then Haman was afraid before the king and the queen. Enemy—"diabolos" in the Septuagint (Greek O.T.)

Who is He?—the king's question requires the Bride to correctly identify the Jews' enemy—Agag! This enemy was revealed to her by Mordecai (Christ) in Esther 3-4. Who is Agag?

KJV has "AGAG" Num 24:7 whereas LXX has "Gog"

Eze 38:1-3 "And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him ...Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet: Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands: and many people with thee."

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They were held responsible for the Black Death, the cost millions of lives. They lived in fear.

THE SATURDAY ESSAY

"The name Amalek is not mentioned in writings outside the Bible"— **Jewish Virtual Library**

The Return of Anti-Semitism

Israel at a Turning Point

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The news today about Israel is often negative. While 135 nations have recognized a Palestinian state, the PLO has gained admission to the International Criminal Court where it wants Israel to be found guilty of war crimes in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. A recent study found that the State Department has cited Israel as the #4 state in the world for "unacceptable behavior." Already one of the most hated countries in the world, Israel faces a new wave of anti-Israel sentiment in Europe and is surrounded by radical Islamic fundamentalist groups including Hamas (Gaza), Hizbollah (Lebanon), ISIS (Syria and Iraq) and Al Nusra (former Syrian Golan Heights).

The threat to Israel is at a level not seen since 1948 and 1967. The highest level of existential threat is posed by Iran and a "soft" nuclear deal that would leave it on the threshold of having nuclear weapons. With most Israelis living in 3,400 square miles, only two atomic bombs could kill nearly one million Israelis. Iranian bases, 700 miles from Israel, would need only 11 minutes to fire missiles that could hit Tel Aviv.

and hatred against Jews is on the Europe

"From the time of the Crusades onward, Jews in Christian Europe began to be seen not as human beings but as a malevolent force, a demonic and destructive power that mysteriously yet actively sought the harm of others, lews were accused of desecrating the sacramental bread used in communion, poisoning wells and spreading the plague."

Understanding the Prophetic Word—

Mat 24:15 "When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)"

Rev 1:3 "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand"

Rev 13:18 "Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six" (17:9)

Rev 14:9-10 "And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation" ... etc.

• It is vital that the bride correctly identify the Jews' enemy, as revealed to her by Mordecai; even Jesus Christ (Rev 1:1).

☐ "The future movements of Russia are notable signs of the times, because they are predicted in the Scriptures of truth. The Russian Autocracy, in its plenitude, and on the verge of its dissolution, is the Image of Nebuchadnezzar standing upon the Mountains of Israel, ready to be smitten by the Stone. When Russia makes its grand move for the building-up of its Imageempire, then let the reader know that the end of all things, as at present constituted, is at hand. The long-expected, but stealthy advent of the King of Israel, will be on the eve of becoming a fact; and salvation will be to those who not only looked for it, but have trimmed their lamps by believing the gospel of the kingdom unto the obedience of faith... (Jas. 2:22; Heb. 9:28)."—Elpis Israel, 1849

Magog—Gog is "of the land of Magog" (central Europe including Germany to the Baltic).

Chief Prince—Should be translated "prince of Rosh". Bochart in his Sacred Geography:

"Ros is the most ancient form under which history makes mention of the name of Russia."

Meshech—Identified with Moscovy from whence is developed the name Moscow.

Tubal—The river Tobol gives its name to the City Tobolium, or Tobolski.

"Son of Man, set thy face against Gogue, the emperor of Germany, Hungary, &c., and autocrat of Russia, Moscovy, and Tobolskoi, and prophecy against him, and say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against thee, O Gogue, autocrat of Russia, Moscovy, and Tobolskoi: and I will turn thee about, and put a bit into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth from the north parts, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them accoutred with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords: among whom shall be Persians, Ethiopians, and Libyans; all of them with shields and helmet: French and Italians, &c.; Circassians, Cossacks, and the Tartar hordes of Usbeck, &c.: and many people not particularly named besides. Be thou prepared; prepare thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee; and be thou Imperial Chief to them."

■ Bro. Thomas' paraphrase: "From these premises, then, I think, there cannot be the shadow of a doubt that the autocrat of Russia, when he shall have attained to the plenitude of his power and dominion, is the subject of the prophecy contained in the thirty-eighth and thirty-ninth of Ezekiel."

Est 7:7 And the king arising from the banquet of wine in his wrath went into the palace garden: and Haman stood up to make request for his life to Esther the queen; for he saw that there was evil determined against him by the king.

Est 7:8 Then the king returned out of the palace garden into the place of the banquet of wine; AND HAMAN WAS FALLEN UPON THE BED WHEREON ESTHER WAS. Then said the king, Will he *force the queen also before me in the house? As the word went out of the king's mouth, they covered Haman's face.

assault

Request for his life to Esther—Haman makes his appeal to the Bride (the ecclesia). The flesh imposes pressure upon the ecclesia to relax judgment where it is known Yahweh is not permissive. To many, the idea of frankly identifying the Jews' "enemy" is too harsh or judgmental. Heb 4:12; Mark 10:33-39.

- God set the enmity between seed of serpent/woman. He
 "severed" Israel and called out Abraham's seed to "separate"
 from other people and their idols. It is God Himself who has
 demanded He be worshipped only in Spirit and in Truth.
 Likewise, it is God Himself who has described the dreadful fourth
 beast at terrible. Religiously, God has called the corrupting
 Roman system as an harlot, full of whoredoms.
- Accordingly, God requires His servants to stand apart and in opposition to such systems. Likewise, God has predetermined His judgment upon those who live in violation to His principles; such are self-condemned—the ecclesia should not be pressured to accept what Yahweh has already clearly condemned.

In the House—the judgment upon Babylon was for putting defiling wine in Yahweh's vessels taken from His house (Dan 5). Haman attempts to impose himself on the ecclesia is his fate.

Word went Out—there is only one way to destroy Sin in the Flesh: by the Word of Yahweh (Heb 4:12-13).

Subtle changes in the Brotherhood make identification vague.

Note the Old Hymn Book verses the New Hymn Book

P2 Nations now from God estrangèd,
Then shall see a glorious light;
Night to day shall then be changèd,
Saints shall triumph in the sight.
See the Papal idols falling!
Worshipped once, but now abhorr'd
Men on Zion's King are calling;
Zion's King by all adored.

2 Nations now from God estrangèd
Then shall see a glorious light
Night to day shall then be changèd,
Saints shall triumph in the sight.
See all worldly idols falling!
Worshipped once, but now abhorred;
Men on Zion's King are calling;
Zion's King by all adored.

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Est 7:9 And Harbonah, one of the chamberlains, said before the king, Behold also, the gallows fifty cubits high, which Haman had made for Mordecai, who had spoken good for the king, standeth in the house of Haman. Then the king said, Hang him thereon.

Est 7:10 So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then was the king's wrath pacified.

Hanged Haman—this immediately follows the open manifestation of the exalted Mordecai. We have already noted the two hangings.

Wrath Pacified—NIV "subsided." God's judgment reconciled. It is a word used dominantly, however, for God's judgment against Israel.

Eze 38:18-19 "And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, that my fury shall come up in my face. For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel"

Chapter Eight—Yahweh Gives Authority to Christ

For Haman and all the Jews' enemies: it is a Divine principle that those who seek destroy others will fall by the very means of the snare they set—

Psa 9:15-16 "THE HEATHEN are sunk down in the pit that they made: in the net which they hid is their own foot taken...the wicked is snared in the work of his own hands"

Pro 26:27 "Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein: and he that rolleth a stone, it will return upon him"

Psa 94:22-23 "LORD is my defence; and my God *is* the rock of my refuge. And he shall bring upon them *their own iniquity*, and shall cut them off in their own wickedness; *yea*, the LORD our God shall cut them off"

Psa 7:15-16 "He made a pit, and digged it, and is fallen into the ditch which he made. His mischief shall return upon his own head"

(Psa 10:2; 35:8; 57:6; Pro 5:22)

Est 8:1 On THAT DAY did the king Ahasuerus give the house of Haman the Jews' enemy unto Esther the queen. And Mordecai came before the king; for Esther had told what he was unto her.

That Day—a direct term signifying a specific time of reward for the saints. It is a "set time." (1Th 5:4; 2The 1:10; Mat 26:29)

Esther & Mordecai—Both have overcome the *diabolos*. Both receiving a reward from the King (Rev 19:7-9). This is the first time the two appear together as *relatives* before the King! (Zec 14:5)

 While chaos is everywhere throughout the Kingdom, the Redeemer and Bride are apart (Isa 26:19-21), but now with Haman defeated they stand together before the King.

House of Haman—reps. his status (Est 7:9; 8:2). At Mordecai's exaltation, the bride is also rewarded with rulership (2Tim 2:15):

2The 1:6 "Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you"

<u>Dan 2:44</u> "And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever"

<u>Dan 7:22</u> "Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom"

Rev 5:9-10 "(Thou) hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth"

Rev 2:26-27 "And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father"

Est 8:2 And the king took off his ring, which he had taken from Haman, and gave it unto Mordecai. And Esther set Mordecai over the house of Haman. (she likewise exalts him-v.1)

Ring Taken From Haman—The kingdoms of this world will be taken from men of the flesh and given to Yahweh's exalted One—

Rev 11:15 "And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever"

Dan 7:26-27 "The judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end. And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him"

Note the order of parable: First Mordecia rewarded, Then Esther given Haman's House, and Finally Jews saved.

Est 8:3 And Esther spake yet again before the king, and fell down at his feet, and besought him with tears to put away the mischief of Haman the Agagite, and his device that he had devised against the Jews.

Est 8:5 And said, If it please the king, and if I have found favour in his sight, and the thing seem right before the king, and I be pleasing in his eyes, let it be written to reverse the letters devised by Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, which he wrote to destroy the Jews which are in all the king's provinces:

Devise—used for Gog <u>Eze 38:10</u> "Thou shalt think an *evil thought*" Reverse—the decree could not be "altered" (Est 1:19). And so also was the punishment "written" toward the Jews (Deu 28:55-61; Dan 9:11-3; Amos 3:1-2; Jer 13:10-11).

Christ and Saints responsible for Gog's destruction. However, there remains "mischief... against the Jews" to be reconciled.

Est 8:8 Write ye also for the Jews, as it liketh you, in the king's name, and seal it with the king's ring: for the writing which is written in the king's name, and sealed with the king's ring, MAY NO MAN REVERSE.

THE TWO LAWS: The Law of Sin and Death was brought about thru Adam's disobedience. The King cannot alter this first law (the law of sin and death —Rom 7:25; 8:2). However, Moredcai is able to offer a second law of redemption (the law of faith—Rom 3:27). Only Christ can implement the Law that will save the Jews from the first law, which was elaborated in more detail under the Law of Moses (Rom 5:12-21). This Law is styled "the ministration unto death" (2Cor 3:7). The law of Moses revealed or manifested sin and death (Rom 5:13, 20), and therefore was a schoolmaster to bring us to Christ (Gal 3:24). Thru Adam, we inherit this "law in our members" (Rom 7:23). The second was redemption from the law, which was against us (Col 2;14), thru Christ. Paul says we can be servants of "sin unto death" or of "obedience unto righteousness" (Rom 6:16).

- "It was <u>not</u> to be done by setting aside the law of sin and death, but by righteously nullifying it in one who should obtain this redemption in his own right, and who should be authorized to offer to other men a partnership in his right, subject to required conditions (of their conformity to which, he should be appointed sole judge)" *Law of Moses*
- "The law of sin and death is hereditary, and derived from the federal sinner of the race"—Elpis Israel

Rom 5:12-14 "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law. Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come"

• The law of sin and death was enhanced by the Law of Moses, and it was a covenant that could not redeem (Heb 8:7)—

THE NEW COVENANT IN CHRIST—THE LAW IN THE INWARD PARTS

THE LAW COULD NOT REDEEM MAN BECAUSE IT MANIFESTED SIN

Rom 7:4-14; 5:18-21; 1Cor 15:56-57; 1Jhn 3:4-5; Rom 3:19-21;
 4:14-15; Gal 3:19 "that sin...might become exceeding sinful"

AND PERFECT OBEDIENCE TO THE LAW WAS IMPOSSIBLE

 Gal 3:10-12; 5:3-5; Jam 2:9-11; Rom 3:19-25; 9:31-33 to "offend in one point, he is guilty of all"

THE JEWS SOUGHT JUSTIFICATION BY "WORKS" OF THE LAW (RITUAL)

 Acts 13:39 "by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses"

CHRIST REDEEMS FROM THE CONDEMNATION OR CURSE OF THE LAW

• Gal 4:4-6; 3:8-14; Rom 10:1-5; Col 2:12-17; Act 13:38-39 "Christ is the end of the Law for righteousness" Rom 8:1 "there is now no condemnation to those which are in Christ Jesus"

HOWEVER CHRIST ELEVATED THE LAW ABOVE MERE OUTWARD OBSERVANCE

Mat 5:17-19, 27-28; 23:23; 12:32-34; 15:3-8; Heb 2:1-3; 10:28-29; 12:25 "gifts and sacrifices could not make him that did the service perfect as pertaining to the conscience" (Heb 9:9-14; 10:1-2)

Jer 31:31-33 "Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD: But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people" (23:5; 33:15)

"This is the whole principle: redemption achieved in Christ for us to have, on condition of faith and obedience. It is not only that Israel are saved from the law of Moses on this principle, but it is the principle upon which we are saved from the law of sin and death, whose operation we inherit in deriving our nature from Adam. Christ partook of this nature to deliver it from death, as Paul teaches in Heb. 2:14, and other places"—Law of

Moses Removing the law that was "against us" Col 2:14

Est 8:9 Then were the king's scribes called at that time in the third month, that is, the month Sivan, on the three and twentieth day thereof; and it was written ACCORDING TO ALL THAT MORDECAI COMMANDED unto the Jews, and to the lieutenants, and the deputies and rulers of the provinces which are from India unto Ethiopia, an hundred twenty and seven provinces, unto every province according to the writing thereof, and unto every people after their language.

3rd Month, 23rd Day—the new law went forth in the 1st Month on the 13th Day (Est 3:12). Therefore, *70 days* had passed. The number of THE NATIONS, and the period of time of Gentile dominion over the Jews (Jer 25:11-12; Jer 29:10). Also the number of mortality (Psa 90:10).

Mordecai Commanded Unto The Jews—in order to be saved the Jews must accept the Greater David whom Yahweh will set up over them; the one previously rejected by them (Jer 30:7-11; 33:14-15; Eze 34:23; 37:22-25; Isa 11:11-12; 9:7).

127—Sarah: Isaac Seed. Restoration of the Jews WILL require a correct understanding of the Abrahamic Covenant; that the True "seed" of Abraham refers to "Christ" (Gal 3:16); and ALL the "seed of Abraham" must be "baptized into Christ" (Gal 3:26-29); and circumcision taught fleshly relation meant nothing apart from Christ (Rom 2:29; 4:1-25cf. Phi 3:3; Gal 6:15; Col 2:11).

Rom 11:23 "And they also, if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be graffed in: for God is able to graff them in again"

Est 8:10 And he wrote in the king Ahasuerus' name, and sealed it with the king's ring, and sent letters by posts... Est 8:11 Wherein the king granted the Jews which were in every city to gather themselves together, and to stand for their life, to destroy, to slay, and to cause to perish, all the power of the people and province that would assault them, both little ones and women, and to take the spoil of them for a prey, "together"—Eze 37:7 "the bones came together"

Gather Together—the "time of Jacob's trouble" (Jer 30:7; Dan 12:2) necessary for Israel's restoration. Pressure of Armageddon unifies the Jews (Eze 37:16-28).

Est 8:13 The copy of the writing for a commandment to be given in every province was published unto all people, and that the Jews should be ready against that day to avenge themselves on their enemies.

Their enemies—those instrumental in devouring the Jews will find themselves destroyed, and "all people" will witness it.

Jer 30:16-20 "All they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries...they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey. For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the LORD; because they called thee an Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after...their congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them"

Why will the Jews be required to "fight" at the appearing of Christ? Because of the deep spiritual principle associated with warfare. It teaches a two-edged principle: flesh must be put to death AND the Truth preserved (Heb 4:12-13; 1Tim 1:18; 2Tim 2:4; 2Cor 10:3-4). It is required to bring Israel into the bond of the covenant—

Eze 20:34-38 "I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out. And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and there will I plead with you face to face. LIKE AS I PLEADED WITH YOUR FATHERS IN THE WILDERNESS OF THE LAND OF EGYPT, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord GOD. And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant: And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I am the LORD"

- "LIKE AS I PLEADED WITH YOUR FATHERS IN THE WILDERNESS OF THE LAND OF EGYPT" (Isa 11:16; Mic 7:14-20)
- ☐ "Now the days of coming out of Egypt under Moses were forty years. This is the typical period pointing to the exodus from 'the Great City figuratively called Egypt'...The carcases of the adult generation fall in the wilderness, as it is written, 'And they shall not enter into the Land of Israel,' which is equivalent to 'they shall not enter into my rest' (Psa 95:11)...'The bonds' or 'discipline of the covenant' purges the rebels out and trains up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, so that the second generation of the emancipated nation takes possession of the promised land under the new covenant"—J. Thomas, Mystery of the Covenant of the Holy Land Explained

Bro. Thomas notes it will be the greater Joshua, who "circumcised" the next generation the "second time" (Jos 5:2), under whom they "enter into covenant" when they occupy the Land (Deu 29:10-13; Jere 31:31). This circumcision of "heart" is required for them to become true children of Abraham (Deu 30:6; Eze 36:26-27; Gen 17:11).

Isa 11:15-16 "And the LORD shall utterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptian sea; and with his mighty wind shall he shake his hand over the river, and shall smite it in the seven streams, and make *men* go over dryshod. And there shall be an highway for the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria; like as it was to Israel in the day that he came up out of the land of Egypt"

"I quote (Isa 11:12-16) this passage here by way of *a hint* to the reader that if he would understand how Jehovah will arbitrate between Israel and the existing nations when He grafts them in again, he must give himself to know the particulars of their deliverance under Moses; for the exodus under him is the type, or representation, of their future exodus under the Lord of Hosts." Elpis Israel, pg 286-287

(Elpis Israel "Second Exodus" pg. 438-457)

Est 8:14 So the posts that rode upon *MULES and CAMELS went out, being hastened and pressed on by the king's commandment. And the decree was given at Shushan the palace. *Unclean animals—into the land of the Gentiles

Went Out—Christ goes forth as the Lawgiver of Judah (Gen 49:10; Psa 108:8); from the Capital city—Jerusalem.

Isa 62:1-4 "For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth. And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD shall name. Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of thy God. Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall thy land any more be termed Desolate: but thou shalt be called Hephzibah, and thy land Beulah: for the LORD delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be married"

Est 8:15 And Mordecai went out from the presence of the king in royal apparel of blue and white, and with a great crown of gold, and with a garment of fine linen and purple: and the city of SHUSHAN rejoiced and was glad.

Royal Apparel—the immortal nature of God (1Tim 6:16; 2Tim 1:10)

Blue—the Law and commandments of Yahweh (Num 15:38-39)

White—purity, righteousness (Rev 19:8-11; 3:5)

Purple—royalty, authority (Mar 15:17-20)

The King-Priest

"In Jesus, therefore, is united the combined kingly and highpriestly offices of the nation of Israel: so that when the government shall be upon his shoulders, he will sit as a priest upon the throne, after the order of Melchisedec, being without predecessor or successor in the United Office of King and Priest"—John Thomas

Shushan rejoiced and was glad—the very words used for the new rulership that comes from Jerusalem: Read Isa 65:17-19!

Crown of Gold—victory thru trial (Rev 14:14; 1Pet 1:7; 5:4). A different word than the King's crown of gold (Est 6:8). Went Out from the Presence of the King—the Son will come in his "father's kingdom" (Mat 26:29), and in the "glory of the Father" (Mat 16:27; Luke 9:2).

Est 8:16 The Jews had *light*, and gladness, and joy, and honour.

When Mordecai goes forth salvation comes to the Jews—Zec 14:1-9. Light—dawn of a new hope (Amplified Bible). Note use elsewhere:

<u>Isa 26:19</u> "Thy dead *men* shall live, *together with* my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew *is as the <u>dew</u> of <u>herbs</u>, and the earth shall cast out the dead"*

<u>Joe 3:16</u> "The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but *the LORD will be the hope of his people*, and the strength of the children of Israel"

Est 8:17 And in every province, and in every city, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, the Jews had joy and gladness, a feast and a good day. And many of the people of the land became Jews; for the fear of the Jews fell upon them

Became Jews—salvation has always been "of the Jews" (John 4:22-24; Rom 2:28-29; Gal 2-6; Rom 10-11). Thus, only one nation will ultimately exist (Jer 30:11).

Zec 8:22-23 "Many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD. Thus saith the LORD of hosts; In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you" Isa 2:1-5 Zec 2:11-12 (Isa 14:1; Mal 1:11)

Restoration of Jews will convert the world

Zep 3:14-20 "Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem. The LORD hath taken away thy judgments, he hath cast out thine enemy: the king of Israel, even the LORD, is in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more. In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: and to Zion, Let not thine hands be slack. The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing. I will gather them that are sorrowful for the solemn assembly, who are of thee, to whom the reproach of it was a burden. Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict thee: and I will save her that halteth, and gather her that was driven out; and I will get them praise and fame in every land where they have been put to shame. At that time will I bring you again, even in the time that I gather you: for I will make you a name and a praise AMONG ALL PEOPLE OF THE EARTH, when I turn back your captivity before your eyes, saith the LORD"

"When thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness" — Isa 26:9

The lowly man now exalted converts the world thru the Jews

Mic 5:1-6 "Thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel...then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel. And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth. And this man shall be the peace, when the Assyrian shall come into our land: and when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight principal men. And they shall waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod in the entrances thereof: thus shall he deliver us from the Assyrian, when he cometh into our land, and when he treadeth within our borders"

Joy and Gladness—represents the pleasure of the redeemed:

Isa 35:10 "And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away"

Isa 51:1-3,11 "Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged. Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him. For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody... Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away"

Psa 149:1-9 "Let Israel rejoice in Him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King...For the LORD taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation Let the saints be joyful in glory...Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand; To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people; To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron; To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD" (Rev 2:26-27; John 18:36; Dan 2)